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NOTIFICATION TO EXTEND THE URINE SAMPLE COLLECTION FOR DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES CONTRACT NUMBER 76268 WITH PACIFIC TOXICOLOGY LABORATORIES (PTL)

This is to notify the Board that I have used Board delegated authority to extend the Urine Sample Collection for Drug and Alcohol Services Contract with PTL, as adopted by the Board on July 1, 2014. This renewal option will extend the term for nine months effective October 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015. The nine month maximum cost is \$1,350,000 and will be financed using 36 percent (\$486,000) Federal revenue, 33 percent (\$445,500) State revenue, and 31 percent (\$418,500) net County cost. Sufficient funding is included in the Department's Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15 Adopted Budget.

PTL will continue to provide drug and alcohol testing through urine sample collection when required where parents or primary caregivers/out of home caregivers of children receiving DCFS services are suspected of illicit drug and/or alcohol use and the children have been assessed to be safe in the home of their parents or primary caregiver so long as these caregivers are not consuming illicit drugs or excess amounts of alcohol. Drug and alcohol testing is often one of the final attempts to assess if out-of-home placement of children is necessary (or to facilitate the reunification of children who have been placed out-of-home) if the assessment has been made that the parents or primary caregivers are currently using drugs or alcohol.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me or your staff may contact Aldo Marin, Board Liaison, at (213) 351-5530.

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